

THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION

555 Main Street

Hartford, Connecticut 06103

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

Present: Commissioners Luis Caban, Daniel Camilliere, Donald M. Currey, William A. DiBella, Allen Hoffman, Jean Holloway, Kathleen J. Kowalyshyn, Byron Lester, Maureen Magnan, Alphonse Marotta, James S. Needham, Whit Osgood, Bhupen Patel, Mark A. Pappa, Hector Rivera, Pasquale J. Salemi, Helene Shay and Michael Solomonides and Raymond Sweezy (19)

Absent: Commissioners Andrew Adil, Mary Anne Charron, Timothy Curtis, Janice Flemming-Butler, Matthew B. Galligan, William P. Horan, Sandra Johnson, Joseph Klett, Joseph H. Kronen, J. Lawrence Price, Kennard Ray, Richard W. Vicino and Special Representative Michael Carrier (13)

Also

Present: Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
John M. Zinzarella, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Business Services
Christopher R. Stone, Assistant District Counsel
Brendan Fox, Assistant District Counsel
Steven J. Bonafonte, Assistant District Counsel
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
Rob Constable, Director of Finance
Sue Negrelli, Director of Engineering
Robert Schwarm, Director of Information Technology
Kelly Shane, Director of Procurement
Jenna Lombardo, Manager of Financial Control
Robert Zaik, Interim Director of Human Resources
Julie McLaughlin, Special Services Administrator
Nick Salemi, Special Services Administrator
Kerry E. Martin, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Cynthia A. Nadolny, Executive Assistant
Joe A. Vitale, Bond Counsel
Ernest Lormier, Bond Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman DiBella at 5:33 P.M.

ROLL CALL AND QUORUM

The District Clerk called the roll and informed Chairman DiBella that a quorum of the Commission was present, and the meeting was declared a legal meeting of the District Board of The Metropolitan District of Hartford County, Connecticut.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

Todd Landry of 2 Coolidge Road, West Hartford, spoke regarding an agenda revision to review asset management for Coolidge Road water main.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Commissioner Sweezy and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of September 12, 2016 were approved.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

No report was given.

REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Scott Jellison, Chief Executive Officer presented the monthly CEO Report

Commissioner Holloway entered the meeting at 5:45 P.M.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL

No report was given.

Commissioner Salemi entered the meeting at 6:09 P.M.

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING A FURTHER \$140,000,000 FOR THE DISTRICT'S COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW, SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOW AND NITROGEN REMOVAL PROGRAMS TO DECREASE LEVELS OF POLLUTION IN THE CONNECTICUT RIVER AND LONG ISLAND SOUND TO COMPLY WITH A CONSENT DECREE OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT AND A CONSENT ORDER OF THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

To: District Board

October 5, 2016

From: Board of Finance

WHEREAS, the charter of the Metropolitan District of Hartford County, Connecticut (the "District"), and more particularly Section 14 of number 511 of the special acts of 1929, as amended by section 1 of number 332 of the special acts of 1931, number 127 of the special acts of 1947, section 2 of special act 79-102, special act 80-13, section 1 of special act 83-31, section 5 of special act 90-27, and section 2 of public act 15-114 (Section 14, as amended, being referred to as the "Referendum Requirement"), provides as follows:

(a) Appropriations to be financed by the issuance of bonds, notes or other obligations of the district may be made at any time upon approval of the district board and recommendation of the board of finance in accordance with section 20 of number 511 of the special acts of 1929.

(b) (1) Any appropriation in excess of the amount set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection for any single item of capital expense not regularly recurring, including, but not limited to, a capital purpose, a public improvement or an extraordinary expenditure which may properly be financed long-term rather than from current revenues, notwithstanding that such appropriation is included in the budget to be met from current revenues, shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the entire district board and by a majority of the electors of the district at a referendum of the district called by the district board in accordance with the requirements of section 5 of number 511 of the special acts of 1929, as amended by special act 77-54; provided an appropriation for any reason involving not more than twice the amount set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection in any one year for the purpose of meeting a public emergency threatening the lives, health or property of citizens of the district may be made upon approval by a two-thirds vote of the entire district board without submission to the electors of the district; provided further, appropriations may be made in any amount without submission to the electors of the district for any public improvement all or a portion of which is to be paid for by assessments of benefits or from funds established to pay for waste or water facilities pursuant to section 13 of number 511 of the special acts of 1929, as amended by number 366 of the special acts of 1949, special act 77-54 and special act 83-31; and provided further, submission to the electors of the district shall only be required with respect to such portion, if any, of any appropriation approved by the district board on and after October 1, 2015, as exceeds the amount set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection. The district board may determine, in the case of appropriations for water, sewer and utility line extensions and

improvements, or the installation or replacement of service meters, the definition of what shall constitute a single item of capital expense for purposes of compliance with the referendum requirement of this section. Such determination may be contained in the capital budget or a resolution making such appropriation or authorizing the issuance of bonds, notes or obligations of the district and any such determination shall be final and conclusive.

(2) On and after October 1, 2015, the threshold amount for purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be twenty million dollars as adjusted annually thereafter on October first by a percentage equal to the increase, if any, in the consumer price index for urban consumers, as most recently determined by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics for the most recent twelve-month period available, provided for any appropriation adopted by the district board on and after October 1, 2015, the aggregate amount of federal and state grants available, committed to be made available or expected to be made available for the appropriation at issue, each as determined by the district board whose determination shall be conclusive, shall be deducted from the amount of the appropriation in determining whether such threshold is met.

WHEREAS, for purposes of this resolution, the amount referred to in section (b)(1) of the Referendum Requirement is hereinafter referred to as the Threshold Amount, and

WHEREAS, the District has by previous resolutions approved appropriations authorized expenditures aggregating \$1,600 million for any and all projects necessary or desirable in connection with the planning, design, acquisition, construction and development of a combined sewer overflow program, a sanitary sewer overflow program and a nitrogen removal program of the District, in order to comply with a consent decree issued by the United States District Court, District of Connecticut, and entered into by and between the District, the United States Department Of Justice, the U. S. Attorney's Office, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Connecticut Attorney General (the "U. S. Consent Decree"), and a consent order to be issued by the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, now the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("DEEP") and to be executed by the District and the Commissioner of DEEP (the "Connecticut Consent Order" and, together with the U. S. Consent Decree, the "Government Orders") (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Chairman and the Chief of Program Management or the Treasurer in the name of and on behalf of the District applied for federal and state loans and/or grants-in-aid for the Project under Section 22a-478 et seq. of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended (the "Clean Water Fund Program"), and in particular, the portion of the Project involving the construction of the South Hartford Storage and Conveyance Tunnel (the "South Tunnel Construction Element") and the District has executed a Project Loan and

Project Grant Agreement, dated June 21, 2016 (the "Agreement"), with the State of Connecticut (CWF No. 692-C) involving a total project cost of \$313,156,346.00, of which \$140,925,166.05 would be funded by state grants under the Clean Water Fund Program (subject to the terms and conditions of such Agreement), and the balance by funds of the District and loans from the Clean Water Fund Program;

WHEREAS, the District has determined to appropriate a further \$140,000,000 of capital expenditures for the Project, specifically to the South Tunnel Construction Element, and to declare its determination that such capital expenditures are expected to be funded entirely by federal or state grants under the Clean Water Fund Program under the Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The additional sum of \$140,000,000 is hereby appropriated for the Project. The Project is a single item of capital expense, not regularly recurring, which may be financed on a long-term basis. For the avoidance of doubt, the appropriation hereby made shall be in addition to any prior appropriation for the Project. The appropriation hereby made shall be allocated specifically to the South Tunnel Construction Element, and in particular to those costs associated with the South Tunnel Construction Element which are paid for by state grants under the Agreement.

Section 2. Based on the facts heretofore cited and other evidence presented to the District Board, the District Board FINDS and DETERMINES, that the appropriation made in Section 1 will be paid for by funds available, committed to be made available or expected to be committed made available by federal and state grants; and further, FINDS and DETERMINES, that the appropriation made in Section 1 will not be in excess of the Threshold Amount, and that therefore the appropriation made in Section is valid and effective without the requirement that the appropriation be submitted to the electors of the District at a referendum held for such purpose as provided in the Referendum Requirement.

Section 3. The applications by the Chairman and the Chief of Program Management or the Treasurer in the name and on behalf of the District for any and all federal and state loans and/or grants-in-aid to meet any portion of the costs of the Project determined by DEEP to be eligible for funding under Section 22a-478 et seq. of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended (the "Clean Water Fund Program"), and in particular the South Tunnel Construction Element, and the execution and delivery of the Agreement providing for expenditures authorized hereby to be paid for by grants under the Agreement, combined with expenditures and borrowings authorized by other appropriations for the Project, be and they hereby are approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. The Treasurer is authorized and directed to charge expenditures for the South Tunnel Construction Element reimbursed by the state grant under the Agreement against the appropriation made hereby, and to charge no other expenditures against this appropriation.

Section 5. In the absence of the appointment of a Treasurer, the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to act as Treasurer for all purposes of this resolution and the Manager of Treasury is authorized to act as Deputy Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner Sweezy and duly seconded, the report was received and resolution adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

Agenda Item #9B, BANS Issuance was postponed.

Without objection, Agenda Items 9C "GO Bonds Issuance" and 9D "Capital Project Closeouts" were consolidated and considered together.

**ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$173,500,000
IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

From: Board of Finance

To: District Board

October 5, 2016

Staff is seeking authority for the District to issue up to \$173,500,000 in general obligation bonds that will refund \$48,000,000 in existing bond anticipation notes due on December 1, 2016, refund an additional \$65,500,000 in existing bond anticipation notes due on December 1, 2016, unless the District issues new bond anticipation notes to refund such \$65,500,000 in existing bond anticipation notes, and to provide up to \$60,000,000 in new money for CIP projects, unless the District issues new bond anticipation notes to provide such \$60,000,000 in new money for CIP projects.

At a meeting of the Board of Finance held on October 5, 2016, it was:

Voted: That the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT
EXCEEDING \$173,500,000 IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE
METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**

Not exceeding \$173,500,000 Metropolitan District General Obligation Bonds (the "Bonds") are hereby authorized to be issued in for capital improvement projects, to currently refund up to \$113,500,000 Bond Anticipation Notes of the District maturing December 1, 2016 (the "Outstanding Notes") and to fund up to \$60,000,000 in new

money for Capital Improvement Projects. The Bonds are authorized to be issued to fund such portion of the authorized and unissued balances of the capital appropriations contained in certain bond resolutions adopted to finance capital budget items enacted by the District Board in the years and in the amounts set forth on Exhibit A hereto attached. Proceeds of the Bonds not used to refund the Outstanding Notes shall be used on a first-spent basis to temporarily finance the expenditures for any of the purposes or projects set forth on Exhibit A and for any supplemental purposes or projects the Board of Finance and the District Board may from the date hereof authorize to be financed by the issuance of bonds. The Bonds shall be dated the date of their delivery, and shall mature on November 1 in each of the years 2017 or 2018 through 2036, bearing interest semi-annually each year until maturity (the "Bonds"). The Bonds shall be payable at and certified by U.S. Bank National Association, which bank shall also serve as registrar and transfer agent for the Bonds. The Bonds shall be sold by the District Treasurer, or in his absence, the Deputy Treasurer, in a competitive offering and shall be awarded to the bidder or bidders offering to purchase the Bonds at the lowest true interest cost to the District, and in no case for a sum less than par and accrued interest to the date of delivery. The District Treasurer, or in his absence the Deputy Treasurer, is hereby delegated the authority to determine the principal amount to be issued, the principal amount to mature in each year, optional redemption date(s) and redemption premium(s), if any, the rate or rates of interest on the Bonds, and to deliver the Bonds to the purchaser(s) thereof in accordance with this resolution. The Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, and the District Treasurer, or in his absence, the Deputy Treasurer, are authorized to execute and deliver a Tax Regulatory Agreement for the Bonds on behalf of the District in such form as they shall deem necessary and appropriate, and to rebate to the Federal government such amounts as may be required pursuant to the Tax Regulatory Agreement for the purpose of complying with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, and the District Treasurer, or in his absence, the Deputy Treasurer, are authorized to execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Agreement and any and all agreements and documents necessary to effect the issuance and sale of the Bonds in accordance with the terms of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

**General Obligation Bond Issue of 2016 Series C New Money
CIP Appropriation**

	Issue Amount
2006 Wethersfield Cove Inflow & Infiltration Reduction	97,000
2007 Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements	35,000
2007 Wastewater Treatment Facility Security and Communication Improvements	1,144,000
2008 General Purpose Sewer	

	735,000
2008 Capacity Management Operation & Maintenance Compliance	28,000
2008 Improvements to SCADA	46,000
2009 General Purpose Sewer	11,000
2009 Hartford Odor Control Construction	71,000
2009 Water Pollution Control Infrastructure Replacements and Improvements	153,000
2011 Sewer Study - Dividend Brook, Rocky Hill	38,000
2010 Facility & Equipment Improvements Program	55,000
2010 General Purpose Sewer	17,000
2010 WPC EHWPCF Screen & Grit Replacement Program	2,000
2010 WPC Electrical Systems Modernization Program	225,000
2010 WPC Renewal & Replacements Program	89,000
2011 Water Main Replacement - Cottage Grove Road, Bloomfield	63,000
2011 Capacity Management Operation & Maintenance (CMOM) - Compliance	15,000
2011 Facility & Equipment Improvements	99,000
2011 General Purpose Sewer	2,000
2011 Headquarter Renovations	85,000
2011 Pump Station Generators	101,000
2011 WPC Electronic Development	187,000
2011 WPC Equipment & Facility Refurbishment	157,000
2012 Backwater Valve Program	21,000
2012 East Hartford WPC Waste Water Screening Installation	2,880,000
2012 Facility Improvement Program	197,000
2012 Fleet Replacement	307,000
2012 General Purpose Sewer	1,800,000
2012 Hartford WPC Solids Handling & Processing	60,000
2012 Headquarters Parking Garage Renovations	62,000
2012 Sanitary Sewer / Storm Drain Replacement Retreat Ave Htfd	1,616,000
2012 Sanitary Sewer Replacements District-Wide	1,013,000
2012 Sewer Pump Station Upgrades - Mohawk Drive East Hartford	2,000

2012 Sewer Pump Station Upgrades - Ridge Street, Windsor	2,000
2012 Sewer Replacement - Montclair Drive, West Hartford	3,000
2012 Sewer Replacement - Woodland Avenue and Peters Road, Bloomfield	25,000
2012 Standpipe & Above Grade Storage Tank Projects	500,000
2012 WPC Equipment & Facilities Refurbishment	241,000
2012 WPC Renewal and Replacements	103,000
2013 CWP-Water Main Replacement Church Street, Hartford	8,000
2013 Facilities Improvement Program	328,000
2013 Fleet Replacement	109,000
2013 General Purpose Sewer	1,398,000
2013 Information Technology- Hardware	48,000
2013 Information Technology-SAP/Oracle	176,000
2013 Pump Station Upgrades – Mohawk Drive, East Hartford	130,000
2013 Rocky Hill Interceptor – Relief Sewer/Capacity Improvements	125,000
2013 Sewer Gate Replacement Program District-wide	3,600,000
2013 Sewer Pump Station Upgrades – Ridge Street, Windsor	20,000
2013 Various Sewer Pipe Replacement/Rehab – District Wide	748,000
2013 West Hartford Inflow/Infiltration Removal –Contract I	4,800,000
2013 WPC Equipment & Facilities Refurbishment	23,000
2013 WPC SCADA Upgrades	78,000
2014 Orchard Street Water Pump Station, Glastonbury	2,915,000
2015 Orchard Street Water Pump Station, Glastonbury	85,000
2014 Renewable Energy Projects – Sewer Facilities	7,000
2014 General Purpose Sewer	1,154,000
2014 General Purpose Water Program	1,000,000
2014 Hartford WPCF West Primary Settling Tanks	38,000
2014 Pump Station Replacement – Rainbow Trunk, Windsor	432,000
2014 Sewer Rehabilitation Program	885,000
2014 Sewer Replacement - Madison Avenue, Hartford	8,000
2014 Sewer Replacement – Packard Street & Daniel Boulevard, Bloomfield	2,000,000
2014 Transmission Main Extension – Newington	

	2,143,000
2014 Various Sewer Pipe Replacement/Rehab – District Wide	2,500,000
2014 Wastewater Pump Station Improvements	56,000
2014 WPC Renewal and Replacements	48,000
2014 Pump Station Upgrades – Burnside Avenue, East Hartford	1,022,000
2014 Sewer Extension – Marsh Street, Wethersfield	10,000
2015 Administrative Facilities Improvement Program	373,000
2015 Paving Program	332,000
2015 WPC Plant Infrastructure Renewal and Replacements	123,000
2015 CCTV Generated Sewer Contracts	400,000
2015 East Hartford WPCF Compressor, DO Control & SCADA Upgrades	86,000
2015 Information Systems - Business Transformation SAP Upgrade	4,308,000
2015 Information Systems - Finance Modules	5,000,000
2015 Information Systems - Operational Modules	5,000,000
2015 Poquonock WPCF Primary & Secondary Tanks	1,425,000
2015 Sanitary Sewer Easements Acquisitions & Improvements	771,000
2015 Sewer Rehabilitation Program	940,000
2015 Survey & Construction	289,000
2016 Sewer Rehabilitation Program	1,375,000
2016 Water Supply Improvements - Raw Water Transmission Mains	6,000
2016 WMR Simmons Road Area, East Hartford	<u>1,391,000</u>
General Obligation Bond Issue of 2016 Series C New Money	60,000,000

**CLOSEOUT OF WATER, SEWER AND COMBINED PROGRAMS
WATER CAPITAL PROJECT PROGRAMS**

To: District Board October 5, 2016

From: Board of Finance

The District has undertaken the task of updating its Capital Improvement Project (CIP) records. The task includes the identification of projects which have been

completed, cancelled, or had a change of scope. Based upon the review, District staff now recommends that the following projects be closed.

Proj. def.	YEAR	BA	Project Description	Town	Budget	Expended Amount	Remaining Balance
WAT.CW1381.01	2013	2113	2013 Battles St Wtr Main Replace, Hrtfrd	Hartford	130,000.00	-	130,000.00
WAT.CW1383.01	2013	2113	2013 CWP - WM Replace Park St Htfrd	Hartford	4,450,000.00	1,122.00	4,448,878.00
WAT.CW1380.01	2013	2113	2013 CWP-Buckingham St WM Replace, Hart.	Hartford	450,000.00	-	450,000.00
WAT.CW1384.01	2013	2113	2013 CWP-WM Rplc Portion of Park St-PH 1	Hartford	1,800,000.00	-	1,800,000.00
WAT.CW1377.01	2013	2113	2013 Ely St Water Main Replace, Hartford	Hartford	100,000.00	-	100,000.00
WAT.CW1378.01	2013	2113	2013 Fairmount Wtr Main Replace, Hrtfrd	Hartford	70,000.00	-	70,000.00
WAT.CW1382.01	2013	2113	2013 Highland St Wtr Main Replace, EH	East Hartford	90,000.00	-	90,000.00
WAT.CW1367.01	2013	2113	2013 Main Street Water Main Replace, EH	East Hartford	880,000.00	-	880,000.00
WAT.CW1373.01	2013	2113	2013 Wtr Main Replace in Carroll Rd, EH	East Hartford	210,000.00	-	210,000.00
		2113 Total			8,180,000.00	1,122.00	8,178,878.00
WAT.CW1275.01	2010	2320	2010CWP Water Main Replac Broad St Htfd	Hartford	500,000.00	38,782.03	461,217.97
WAT.CW1259.01	2010	2320	2010Watr Main Replace Norwood Rd W. Htfd	West Hartford	125,000.00	3,824.24	121,175.76
WAT.CW1339.01	2012	2320	2012 Asset Mngmnt Computer Model Enhance	Various	396,000.00	-	396,000.00
WAT.CW1353.01	2012	2320	2012 CWP Park River Area Construction	Hartford	2,513,000.00	-	2,513,000.00
WAT.CW1280.02	2012	2320	2012 CWP W/M Replacement-Bond St.	Hartford	3,904,000.00	-	3,904,000.00
WAT.CW1316.02	2012	2320	2012 CWP W/M Replacement-Enfield St.	Hartford	120,000.00	-	120,000.00
WAT.CW1317.02	2012	2320	2012 CWP W/M Replacement-Greenfield St.	Hartford	444,000.00	-	444,000.00
WAT.CW1318.02	2012	2320	2012 CWP W/M Replacement-Magnolia St.	Hartford	27,000.00	-	27,000.00
WAT.CW1338.01	2012	2320	2012 CWP W/M Rplc-W Prestn/Broad St East	Hartford	3,300,000.00	-	3,300,000.00
WAT.CW1337.01	2012	2320	2012 CWP W/M Rplc-W Prestn/Broad St West	Hartford	4,400,000.00	-	4,400,000.00
WAT.CW1330.01	2012	2320	2012 CWP Water Main Replace-DistrictWide	Various	5,000,000.00	-	5,000,000.00
WAT.CW1270.02	2012	2320	2012 Water Facilities Security & Improv.	Various	480,000.00	-	480,000.00
WAT.CW1346.01	2012	2320	2012 Wtr Svc Replacements-District Wide	Various	480,000.00	-	480,000.00
WAT.CW1303.02	2014	2320	2012 T/M Replacement-Hamilton&Park PH 2	Hartford	1,500,000.00	-	1,500,000.00
		2320 Total			23,189,000.00	42,606.27	23,146,393.73
WAT.CW1200.01	2008	2326	2008 Capital Equipment Replacement	MDC	1,800,000.00	1,795,027.79	4,972.21
		2326 Total			1,800,000.00	1,795,027.79	4,972.21
WAT.CW1267.02	2010	2340	2010-Inc.Dam Safety Improvements-Res #2	Barkhamsted	1,640,000.00	-	1,640,000.00
		2340 Total			1,640,000.00	-	1,640,000.00
WAT.CW1351.01	2012	2341	2012 Land Aquisition	VARIOUS	600,000.00	-	600,000.00
		2341 Total			600,000.00	-	600,000.00
WAT.CWA348.01	2010	2709	Burnham Acres Water Project South Windso	South Windsor	778,500.00	365,277.98	413,222.02
		2709 Total			778,500.00	365,277.98	413,222.02
		Grand Total			36,187,500.00	2,204,034.04	33,983,465.96

After reviewing the information contained herein, at a meeting of the Board of Finance held on October 5, 2016, it was:

Voted: That the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

Resolved: That the District Board approves appropriation closeouts for the projects listed above.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

SEWER CAPITAL PROJECT PROGRAMS

To: District Board

October 5, 2016

From: Board of Finance

The District has undertaken the task of updating its Capital Improvement Project (CIP) records. The task includes the identification of projects which have been completed, cancelled, or had a change of scope. Based upon the review, District staff now recommends that the following projects be closed.

Proj. def.	YEAR	BA	Project Description	Town	Budget	Expended Amount	Remaining Balance
WWA.CS1210.01	2013	5113	2013 Backwater Valve Program	MDC	750,000.00	-	750,000.00
WWA.CS1205.01	2013	5113	2013 Maple Mews WWPS - Hartford	Hartford	1,120,000.00	-	1,120,000.00
WWA.CS1199.01	2013	5113	2013 Park St Sanitary Swr Imprv - Cont 1	Hartford	2,140,000.00	-	2,140,000.00
WWA.CS1200.01	2013	5113	2013 Park St Sanitary Swr Imprv - Cont 11	Hartford	4,460,000.00	-	4,460,000.00
WWA.CS1201.01	2013	5113	2013 Park St Storm Swr Imprvmnts Hrtfrd	Hartford	4,460,000.00	-	4,460,000.00
WWA.CS1209.01	2013	5113	2013 Private Property Inflow Disconnect	MDC	100,000.00	-	100,000.00
WWA.CS1193.01	2013	5113	2013 RHWPCF Sewershed I/I Removal-Cont 1	Rocky Hill	4,550,000.00	-	4,550,000.00
WWA.CS1194.01	2013	5113	2013 RHWPCF Sewershed I/I Removal-Cont 2	Rocky Hill	4,550,000.00	-	4,550,000.00
WWA.CS1195.01	2013	5113	2013 RHWPCF Sewershed I/I Removal-Cont 3	Rocky Hill	4,690,000.00	-	4,690,000.00
WWA.CS1203.01	2013	5113	2013 Sewer Gate Replace-Collection Syste	VARIOUS	4,310,000.00	-	4,310,000.00
WWA.CS1196.01	2013	5113	2013 W Hartford I/I Removal - Contract 1	West Hartford	4,800,000.00	-	4,800,000.00
WWA.CS1197.01	2013	5113	2013 W Hartford I/I Removal - Contract 2	West Hartford	4,940,000.00	-	4,940,000.00
WWA.CS1191.01	2013	5113	2013 Windsor Interceptor/NM-1	Windsor	1,890,000.00	-	1,890,000.00
		5113 Total			42,760,000.00	-	42,760,000.00
LTC0000004	2006	5200	Wethersfield Cove Area	Wethersfield	5,000,000.00	4,741,181.44	258,818.56
		5200 Total			5,000,000.00	4,741,181.44	258,818.56
WWA.CSA450.01	2012	5630	2012 Assessable Sewer Program	Various	344,000.00	-	344,000.00
WWA.CSA452.01	2013	5630	2013 Assessable Sewer Program	Various	500,000.00	-	500,000.00
		5630 Total			844,000.00	-	844,000.00
SSO0000002	2006	5800	2006 SSO Program-Newington	Newington	5,000,000.00	4,893,537.92	106,462.08
SSO0000003	2006	5800	2006 SSO Program-West Hartford	West Hartford	5,000,000.00	4,935,849.01	64,150.99
		5800 Total			10,000,000.00	9,829,386.93	170,613.07
WWA.CS1182.01	2012	5803	2012 Private Property Inflow Disconnect	Various	396,000.00	-	396,000.00
WWA.CS1180.01	2012	5803	2012 Sewer Storm Drain Prj Route 44 HA	Hartford	960,000.00	-	960,000.00
		5803 Total			1,356,000.00	-	1,356,000.00
		Grand Total			59,960,000.00	14,570,568.37	45,389,431.63

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Respectfully submitted,

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District Clerk

COMBINED CAPITAL PROJECT PROGRAMS

To: District Board October 5, 2016

From: Board of Finance

The District has undertaken the task of updating its Capital Improvement Project (CIP) records. The task includes the identification of projects which have been completed, cancelled, or had a change of scope. Based upon the review, District staff now recommends that the following projects be closed.

Proj. def.	YEAR	BA	Project Description	Town	Budget	Expended Amount	Remaining Balance
COM.CFP177.01	2013	5613	2013 231 BRAINARD RD BLDG RENOVATIONS	Hartford	5,000,000.00	-	5,000,000.00
		5613 Total			5,000,000.00	-	5,000,000.00
COM.CFP167.01	2012	5651	2012 Brainard Rd Building Renovations	Hartford	3,206,000.00	-	3,206,000.00
		5651 Total			3,206,000.00	-	3,206,000.00
COM.CFP155.01	2010	5652	2010 Vehicle & Equipment Replacement	MDC	1,931,000.00	1,931,000.00	-
		5652 Total			1,931,000.00	1,931,000.00	-
COM.CFP139.01	2009	5728	Long-Term Strategic Initiatives –	MDC	1,931,000.00	657,315.49	1,273,684.51
		5728 Total			1,931,000.00	657,315.49	1,273,684.51
		Grand Total			12,068,000.00	2,588,315.49	9,479,684.51

After reviewing the information contained herein, at a meeting of the Board of Finance held on October 5, 2016, it was:

Voted: That the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

Resolved: That the District Board approves appropriation closeouts for the projects listed above.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner Marotta and duly seconded, the reports for resolutions 9C “GO Bonds Issuance” and 9D “Capital Project Closeouts” were received and the resolutions adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

Agenda item #10, “Pending Litigation Docet No. 3:06-CV-00728-PCD” was postponed.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judy Allen of 25 Fowler Drive, West Hartford spoke regarding the following submitted written comments:

To: John Mirtle,
Assistant District Counsel
Metropolitan District Commission
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Hartford, CT06142

For inclusion in the minutes of the District Board Meeting on Oct. 5, 2016

At the August 1st board meeting Mr. Jellison indicated that monthly reports to the towns would now be more detailed and disseminated to town managers in a timely manner each month. While West Hartford Town Manager, Ron VanWinkle did receive an August report, as of this past Monday, Oct. 3, the September report had yet to arrive.

Given last year's reaction by the public and government officials to rate changes made to accommodate Niagara, you should anticipate much more public comment and scrutiny this year. You need to examine closely your transparency in setting times for public input. Therefore I ask that you honor the request from the 60 MDC customers included in the petition presented to the board on Sept. 12, 2016. These include:

- Notice by email to MDC customers about the date, location, and time of public hearings. These emails should include actual language for proposed rate changes and information about how the public can be involved if unable to attend the hearings. Since the MDC has recently collected information from customers wishing to be included on an email list, this should be fairly simple. This email should include public officials.
- Notice given on the MDC home page should include links to the language for proposed rate changes, the dates, place and times for public hearings, and include how the public can have input if unable to attend.
- Public notice in newspapers should direct the public to the MDC website, where detailed information can be found. It is unreasonable for working people to inspect documents at the MDC clerk's office or the offices of town clerks that are open only during business hours.

For something as important as a rate change there should be more than one opportunity for the public to be heard. This could be a second hearing at a time that accommodates differing schedules.

It is understood that the MDC is required by Charter to post notices in a newspaper. But that doesn't mean additional measures cannot be taken. Much of the Charter was written in the early 20th century and could not have anticipated the explosion of communication opportunities available today.

In response to a question from the West Hartford town clerk, Mr. Mirtle indicated that the 2017 proposed budget would be available on the MDC website in early November. Notice for the Board of Finance budget meetings would also be posted on the website and notice provided to her and the town.

For clarity:

Is this accurate? Will the entire proposed budget be on the website prior to public hearings?

Will there be notice given that the budget has been posted?

Will the budget be available to the public prior to the 10 day notice for a public hearing?

Will public hearings be held for anything other than a proposed change in water rates?

Will there be public hearings about sewer rates and Clean Water Project sewer rates? And if not how will you collect public input about these?

Do you anticipate any other changes to the ordinances and if so will there be one hearing to address all ordinance changes or will there be separate hearings for each change?

Will notice of the Board of Finance budget workshop be given more than 3 business days before the actual date of the meeting?

Is that date available today?

I would also like to comment on the ongoing work of the State Water Plan. A recent Workshop for the steering committee was held on Sept. 29. The main objective of this workshop was to explain the planning process, agree on goals for the plan, and agree on management options that the Plan will address. By attending this meeting, which was open to the public, one could get a real sense of the work going into this plan.

You are entrusted to oversee a public utility that provides drinking water for thousands of people, an enormous responsibility. I recall the response to your tour of MDC facilities. Even though you hear reports and descriptions, actually seeing the resources of the MDC was an "eye opener", giving new perspective on the important work you do.

Likewise, I encourage each of you to attend a meeting of the Water Planning Council or its committees and a meeting of the WUCC. Decisions being made by these bodies will affect CT water supply for years to come. As commissioners I believe it is your duty to learn as much as you can. Attorney Halloran provides updates for you, but there is great value in observing the process for yourself.

The Water Planning Council maintains a website: www.ct.gov/water/site/default.asp. Under "Water Management" are links to information including the work of the Water Utility Coordinating Committee. If you can't attend a meeting there is good information to be found here.

Judy Allen
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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 P.M.

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Date of Approval